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Westminster, December 7

HIS Majesty came this Day to the House of Peers, and being in his Royal Robes seated on the Throne, with the usual Solemnity, Sir William Sanderson, Gentleman-Usher of the Black Rod, was sent with a Message from His Majesty to the House of Commons, commanding their Attendance in the House of Peers; the Commons being come thither accordingly, His Majesty was pleased to give the Royal Assent to

An Act for granting an Aid to His Majesty by a Land Tax, to be raised in Great Britain, for the Service of the Year One Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Two.

And to three private Bills.

Paris, Dec. 13. The Extract of the Advices relating to the Plague received by the Court to the 3d Instant, from the Comtat of Avignon, and from Provence, and communicated to the foreign Ministers, is as follows.

The Comtat. M. de Nogaret, in his Letter of the 13th of November, writes to the Duke de Roquelaure, that the Plague had begun to be more violent at Avignon; that all the Posts on the Rhosne are well guarded; that one Duplessis a notorious Smuggler of prohibited Goods, who had escaped from Avignon, had been taken in Dauphiné and shot dead. It was reckoned, that from the 19th of September to the 15th of November 2000 Persons had died at Avignon. Some Persons had called out to M. de Vedrille from the other Side of the Rhosne, to tell him, that Cavaillon, the Isle of Perne, and the Tor, large Places in the Comtat, had within a few Days been infected. M. de Vedrille in his of the 20th of Nov. sends a Letter from Avignon of the 12th, by which it appears that the Sickness decreases there; on the 9th no more than 13 died, and 32 fell sick. It was computed that to the said 9th of November 1237 had died there. M. de Chabrillan in his of the 18th of November sends likewise a Letter from Avignon of the 9th, advising, that they flattered themselves the Mortality was decreasing there; the Tumours turned into malignant Fevers. That Sorgues was in a very bad Condition, the Plague having swept away almost all the Inhabitants. Caumont and Bedarides continue in a very bad State, Chasteauneuf is in a pretty good one. On the 14th there were at Orange nine sick, 16 recovering, and it was reckoned 55 had died there since the breaking out of the Distemper. Good Order was still maintained there.

Provence M. le Bret writes the 14th and 16th of November, that Besse and Roquebrussanne continue in a bad Condition. M. de Jeausseand writes the 11th of November, that there remained at Arles but 16 sick, whose Sores had turned into Fistulas. The Bailly de Langeron, in his of the 13th of November, confirms the good State of Health in Marseilles: Alauch which is two Leagues from thence, had the two preceeding Days had 12 Persons taken sick; the Bailly had formed a Line on that Side, to hinder the Peasants of the Territory of Marseilles from communicating with those of that Village, and a Man who had broken the Orders given was shot dead.

Whitehall, Dec. 7. On Saturday the 2d of this Month, the Reverend Dr. Cannon was, by the President and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Lincoln, chosen Dean of the said Church, in Virtue of His Majesty's Letter given under the Signet November the 21st last past, and sent to them for that Purpose.

The Right Honourable the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain hath received a Letter dated the 29th of November 1721, signed A. Z. relating to some Transactions in one of the Plantations, and shall be glad to receive any Information which may be of use to the Publick.

At a General Court of the South-Sea Company held at Merchant-Taylors-Hall on Thursday the 7th of December 1721.

The following Question having been proposed, (viz.)

'That any Ingrafment of the Capital Stock of this 'Company, or any Part thereof, into the Corporation of 'the Governour and Company of the Bank of England, 'or the East-India Company, or any other Corporation, 'must be very detrimental to the Interest of this Corporation; and that the promoting any such Ingraftment as 'aforesaid, without the Consent of a General Court, 'tends to the Violation and Destruction of the Rights 'and Properties of the Members of this Corporation.'

And a Debate arising thereupon, it was put to the Hands, and appeared in the Affirmative. Whereupon a Ballot was demanded in Form for determining the said Question. Notice is therefore hereby given, That the said General Court stands adjourned to Monday the 11th Instant at the South-Sea House; on which Day, and the Day following, from the Hours of Nine in the Morning till Six in the Evening, the Ballots for determining the said Question will be taken. And that the Transfer Books of the said Company will be shut till the said Ballot is over.

The Court of Directors of the South Sea Company give Notice, That in order to a Dividend for the half Year ending at Christmas next, the Transfer Books of the said Company will be shut from and after Friday the 22d Instant; and further Notice will be given of the Time for opening the same.

By the Commissioners for Examining, Stating and Determining the Debts due to the Army, &c.

The Commissioners hereby give Notice to the Officers of the Regiments under mentioned, which served abroad during the late War, That they have directed the Colonels of the said Regiments, or their Agents, to State the particular Accompts of the said Officers, and also of the Companies of the said Regiments, agreeable to the Regimental State determined by the said Commissioners, and to lay them before the Commissioners with all convenient Speed; and the said Officers are hereby required by themselves or their lawful Attornies, to adjust and settle their particular Accompts with the said Colonels, or their Agents, on or before the 19th Day of December Instant, at which time the Colonels or Agents are required to lay the Accompts so distributed before the Commissioners, in order to their determining and certifying the Debts due to the said Officers; also all Persons that have any Assignments made by the Officers of the said Regiments upon their Arrears of Pay due in the said Regiments, are required forthwith to enter their Assignments with the Agent of the Regiment to which the Officers under whom they claim did belong; and the Agents are required, upon producing the said Assignment, to make true Entries thereof, expressing the Assignor's Name, Quality and Company in which he served, the Assignee's Name, the Sum assigned and Date of Assignment, and to lay the same before the Commissioners, together with the Accompts of the said Regiments; and all Persons concerned in the said Assignments may have Access to the Agents to examine the same, and where any Dispute shall arise, touching any of the said Accompts or Assignments, the Parties may apply to the Commissioners; and in Case no Application be made to the Commissioners, they will proceed to certify on the said Accompts, agreeably to the Distributions which shall be delivered in by the respective Colonels or Agents.

Colonel Butler's, Marq. de Montandre's,
Major General Hill's, Lord Montjoy's,
Col. Leigh's, late Sutton's, Lieut. General Steuart's.
Colonel Magny's,

By Order of the Commissioners
Ja. Moody, *Secr.*

The Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies, do hereby give Notice, That the Transfer Books of the said Company will be shut up from Wednesday the 20th of December Instant, to Monday the 22d Day of January next: That the Annuity Warrants due at Christmas, will be ready to be delivered to the Adventurers on Wednesday the 31st of the said January: And that a Quarterly General Court of the said Company will be holden at the East-India House in Leadenhall street, London, on Friday the 22d of December Instant, at Eleven in the Forenoon.